Crude production

*209. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by Government to increase the crude production and to make good the short-fall of the last year; and

(b) the extent to which the actual production has been picked up, areawise, during April-June 1992, indicating the comparative figures for the preceding two quarters?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Government have approved the Projects for the development of the Neelam, Mukta, Panna, R-15A, Gandhar fields and the additional development of the L-II & L-III reservoirs in the Bombay High field. Contracts are being finalised in the Fourth Round of Bidding.

(b) The crude oil production during the last three quarters, is as follows:

(in million tonnes)

	October-December 1991	January-March 1992	April June 1992
Gujarat	1·539	1·514	1·496
Assam/Arunachal	1·219	1·223	1·228
Tamil Nadu	0·082	0·078	0·078
Total Onshore	2·840	2·815	2·802
Bombay Offshore	4·763	4·612	4·102
Grand Total	7·603	7·427	6·904

The decline in oil production in the last quarter is on account of the implementation of the Das Gupta Committee recomendations among other reasons.

Insurgency in Nagaland

*210. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the increased insurgency in Nagaland;

(a) if so, what steps are being taken to combat the problem; and

(c) the number of persons killed by the militants in Nagaland since January, 1991 till the end of June 1992?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Various steps have been taken by the Government to combat insurgency in Nagaland: These include declaration of National Socialist Council of Nagaland (NSCN) as an unlawful association under the Unlawful Activities (Preven-